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Amendment to the Specification

Please amend ¶ [0033] as follows:

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[0033] The electrical configuration of FIGURE 3 is exemplary only, and a range of variations thereof are contemplated. As noted previously, the LED elements 22A, 22B, 22C, 22D can be of different types, e.g. GaN LED elements, InGaAIP LED elements, and so forth. In cases where the LED elements comprising the lighting units differ, the control unit 30 optionally includes voltage dividers (not shown) or other power conditioning components that control the power applied to each optical source 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D. For example, in FIGURE 3 a voltage divider including resistances R₁ and R₂ conditions power applied to the optical source 14D. Furthermore, as noted previously a given optical source, e.g. optical source 14A, can include LED elements of different types. In this case, the optical source 14A would itself include one or more electrical components (not shown) such as voltage dividers that condition the voltage applied to each LED element within the optical source 14A. In yet another variant, the control unit 30 includes a rheostat R_x , variable voltage divider, or other electrical component (not shown) that enables variable power application to the lamp 10 as a whole or to one or more of the individual lighting units 14A, 14B, 14C, 14D that are included in the lamp 10. Such an arrangement advantageously enables the user to control the optical intensity as well as the spatial distribution of the light output.